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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICATION OF )  
STEFFEN HOFACKER ET AL ) GROUP NO.: 1711  
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/054,558 )  
FILED: JANUARY 22, 2002 ) EXAMINER: M.D. BISSETT  
TITLE: PROTECTIVE COVERING WITH )  
A TWO-LAYER COATING BUILDUP )

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2004, Applicants hereby submit the following amendments and remarks.

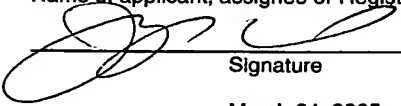
**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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